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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Peter W. Brown et al.

Serial No.: 09/645,225

Art Unit: 2879

Filed: August 24, 2000

Title: STRESS RELIEF MECHANISM FOR OPTICAL INTERFERENCE
COATINGS

Examiner: Sikha Roy

Docket No.: 32575 (LD11410)

AMENDMENT B

(In Response to Paper No. 8;
Filed with Request for Continued Examination)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114. The final rejection in this case was mailed November 18, 2002. Therefore, this Amendment and RCE are timely filed on February 18, 2003. By this Amendment, there are a total of 32 claims and 4 independent claims pending in the application. Please charge the \$300 extra-claim-fee (12 claims x \$18/claim and 1 independent claim x \$84/claim) to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, Order No. 32575.

Please amend the application as follows prior to continuing examination.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 21-32 as follows:

1 Sub D2 21. (new) An optical interference coating for reflecting infrared radiation and

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February 18, 2003
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